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| Serial No.: | 09/980,420 | Examiner: | M. Burkhart |
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Office action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned application on October 6, 2004 be extended for two (2) months, to and including March 7, 2005 (as March 6, 2005 is a Sunday).

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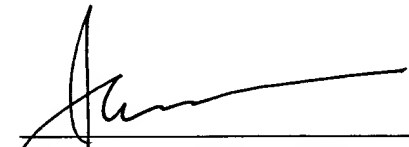
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